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Subpart A—General Provisions

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§ 1412.101 Applicability.

This part governs:

(a) How crop acreage bases and farm program payment yields are established or updated by owners of a farm for the purpose of calculating direct and counter-cyclical payments for wheat, corn, grain sorghum, barley, oats, upland cotton, rice, peanuts, soybeans, sunflower seed, rapeseed, canola, safflower, flaxseed, mustard seed, crambe, sesame seed, and other oilseeds, as determined and announced by the Commodity Credit Corporation (CCC), for the years 2002 through 2007;

(b) The month in which producers on a farm may enter into annual Direct and Counter-cyclical Program (DCP) contracts with CCC for each of the years 2002 through 2007;

(c) The month in which peanut producers may establish such bases and yields in order to receive 2002 direct and counter-cyclical payments; and

(d) The month in which peanut producers may assign such bases and yields to a farm for each of the years 2003 through 2007.

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§ 1412.102 Administration.

(a) The program is administered under the general supervision of the Executive Vice-President, CCC, and shall be carried out by Farm Service Agency (FSA) State and county committees (State and county committees).

(b) State and county committees, and representatives and their employees, do not have authority to modify or waive any of the provisions of the regulations of this part.

(c) The State committee shall take any action required by the regulations of this part that the county committee has not taken. The State committee shall also:

(1) Correct, or require a county committee to correct any action taken by such county committee that is not in

accordance with the regulations of this part; or

(2) Require a county committee to withhold taking any action that is not in accordance with this part.

(d) No provision or delegation to a State or county committee shall preclude the Executive Vice President, or a designee, from determining any question arising under the program or from reversing or modifying any determination made by a State or county committee.

(e) The Deputy Administrator may authorize State and county committees to waive or modify deadlines, except statutory deadlines, and other non-statutory requirements in cases where lateness or failure to meet such other requirements does not adversely affect operation of the program.

(f) A representative of CCC may execute the FSA forms entitled "Direct and Counter-Cyclical Program Contract"; and "2002 Peanut Direct and Counter-Cyclical Program Contract" only under the terms and conditions determined and announced by the Executive Vice President, CCC. Any contract that is not executed in accordance with such terms and conditions, including any purported execution prior to the date authorized by the Executive Vice President, CCC, is null and void and shall not be considered to be a contract between CCC and the operator or any other producer on the farm.

§ 1412.103 Definitions.

The definitions set forth in this section shall be applicable for all purposes of administering the DCP. The terms defined in part 718 of this title and part 1400 of this chapter shall also be applicable, except where those definitions conflict with the definitions set forth in this section.

Base acres means the number of acres established with respect to a covered commodity on a farm by the election made by the owner of the farm in accordance with subpart B of this part.

Base acres for peanuts means the number of acres assigned to a farm by historic peanut producers in accordance with subpart G of this part.

Contract means the CCC-approved standard, uniform forms and appen-

dices specified by CCC which constitute the agreement for participation in the Direct and Counter-Cyclical Program, and the 2002 Peanut Direct and Counter-Cyclical Program.

Counter-cyclical payment means a payment made to eligible producers on a farm in accordance with subpart E of this part for covered commodities and peanuts and subpart G of this part for 2002 historic peanut producers.

Covered commodity means wheat, corn, grain sorghum, barley, oats, upland cotton, rice, soybeans, sunflower seed, rapeseed, canola, safflower, flaxseed, mustard seed, crambe, sesame seed, and other oilseeds as determined by the Secretary.

DCP cropland means DCP cropland as defined in part 718 of this title.

Deputy Administrator means the Deputy Administrator for Farm Programs, FSA, or a designee.

Direct payment means a payment made to eligible producers on a farm for peanuts and covered commodities in accordance with subpart E and for 2002 historic peanut producers under subpart G.

Dry peas means Austrian, wrinkled seed, yellow, Umatilla, and green, excluding peas grown for the fresh, canning, or frozen market.

Effective price means the price calculated by the Secretary in accordance with § 1412.503 for covered commodities and peanuts to determine whether counter-cyclical payments are required to be made under that section for a crop year.

Excess base acres means the number of base acres established on the farm that exceeds the total 2002 Production Flexibility Contract acres on the farm established under the Federal Agriculture Improvement and Reform Act of 1996.

Historic peanut producer means a producer on a farm in the United States that planted or was prevented from planting peanuts during any or all of the 1998 through 2001 crop years.

Marketing year means the 12-month period beginning in the calendar year the crop is normally harvested as follows:

(1) Barley, oats, wheat, canola, flax, and rapeseed: June 1–May 31;